## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 569**

## By Ragan

A RESOLUTION to commemorate the seventy-fifth anniversary of Civil Air Patrol.

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol (CAP) was founded on December 1, 1941, to supplement the U.S. military during World War II, and this year will celebrate the seventy-fifth anniversary of its founding; and

WHEREAS, in 1948, CAP was designated as the U.S. Air Force's official volunteer civilian auxiliary with three missions: emergency services, cadet programs, and aerospace education; and

WHEREAS, CAP, along with the efforts of its 1,000-member Tennessee Wing, has become one of the nation's premier humanitarian service organizations, saving lives, finding those who are lost, helping fellow citizens in times of disaster, working to keep America safe, preparing future leaders, offering aerospace education to inspire our nation's youth, and honoring our military; and

WHEREAS, CAP's Tennessee Wing's civilian members have contributed thousands of volunteer hours to the people of our state in response to calls for aid by the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, providing air and ground support in times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, CAP and its Tennessee Wing provide exceptional educational and growth opportunities for the youth of our state through the cadet program, which provides a curriculum that trains young people to be leaders; offers them opportunities for flight, including pilot training; and teaches emergency services techniques, including lifesaving; and

WHEREAS, CAP's Aerospace Education Program, working with institutions such as the University of Tennessee and Middle Tennessee State University and elementary and secondary school educators across the state, provides support in teaching multidisciplinary aviation

concepts that emphasize aviation's connection to history, math, science, government, and economics; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that this General Assembly hereby commends Civil Air Patrol and its Tennessee Wing for "75 years of Missions for America" and outstanding work in emergency services, as well as CAP's cadet and aerospace programs, which annually touch the lives and ensure the safety of thousands of American citizens.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.